



PROGRESS REPORT NO. 84

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RE: Upper Columbia River (UCR) Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study
(RI/FS) - Progress Report No. 84 Month Ending June 2013

Pursuant to Paragraph 39 of the June 2, 2006 Settlement Agreement (Agreement), the following is intended to provide a summary of activities completed during the past month in compliance with the aforementioned Agreement. It is also intended to provide a brief summary of pending and on-going activities.

All applications/requests for permits and/or permission to conduct sediment sampling activities as outlined within the EPA-approved Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) for the Phase 2 Sediment Study have been submitted including the Spokane Tribe of Indians, the Government of Canada, and the U.S. Department of the Interior National Park Service and the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation (CCT). At the time of writing, neither the Park Service nor the CCT have responded to the permit applications.

TAI continues to evaluate elements of EPA's soil level of effort paper in the preparation of a draft soils QAPP. Consistent with recent discussions, TAI is working towards submitting a draft soils QAPP this year with the primary goal of completing this draft deliverable prior to 2013 Phase 2 sediment sampling activities.

TAI is in receipt of the June 14, 2013 letter from EPA with comments on the Draft Assessment of Sediment Toxicity to White Sturgeon Data Summary Report and are reviewing and evaluating the comments.

Should you have any questions or require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 509-623-4501.